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CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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Re: MUR 5276 (Friends of Jack Machek)

Dear Mr. Joseph:

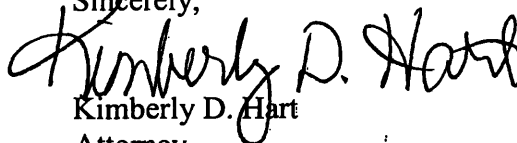
My name is Kimberly Hart and I am the attorney assigned to the above-captioned matter. On July 31, 2002, you filed a response, on behalf of the committee and its Treasurer, to the complaint initiated against the Friends of Jack Machek committee. I attempted to contact you on Wednesday, January 7, 2004 in order to clarify some information contained in your response. I was unable to reach you at the telephone number listed on the letter. It appeared to be a fax telephone number. I then contacted Mr. Machek, on that same day, in order to ascertain whether he had an alternate telephone number for you. Mr. Machek indicated that he had the same telephone number that was listed on the response letter. I also asked Mr. Machek if you were still his attorney of record on the matter and he stated that he was not sure if you were still his attorney since he had not spoken to you in over one year.

Mr. Machek then asked about the reason for my contacting you and I explained briefly that I needed to clarify some information contained in the response and to obtain additional information regarding allegations not addressed in the response letter. I explained to Mr. Machek that I would prefer to speak to you on the matter but he insisted on attempting to provide the information. I stressed to Mr. Machek that the information provided was strictly on a voluntary basis. Mr. Machek indicated that he would attempt to contact you and would think about whether he wanted to submit a sworn statement or not.

On January 9, 2004, I sent you an email message at the email address listed on the response letter as a further attempt to contact you. I have not received a response to date. I am trying to ascertain whether you are still representing the Friends of Jack Machek and its Treasurer in this matter. You may feel free to contact me by mail or by telephone at (202) 694-1618. However, I would appreciate a response within two weeks from the date of receipt of your letter. If I do not receive a response by that time, I will assume that you

are no longer representing the Committee or its Treasurer and I will forward further correspondence to Mr. Machek personally. Again, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely,


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